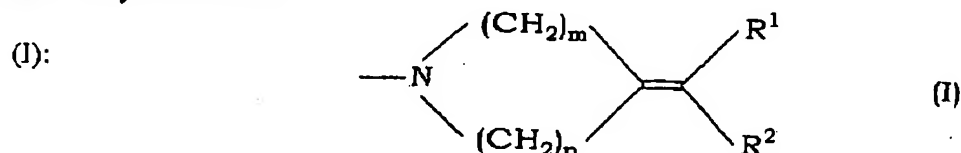


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Listing of the Claims

Claims 1-17 (CANCELLED)

Claim 18 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A method for treating a subject having onychomycosis wherein the method comprises ~~comprising~~ topically administering to a nail of a subject having onychomycosis an effective amount of an antifungal agent compound having a group represented by the formula



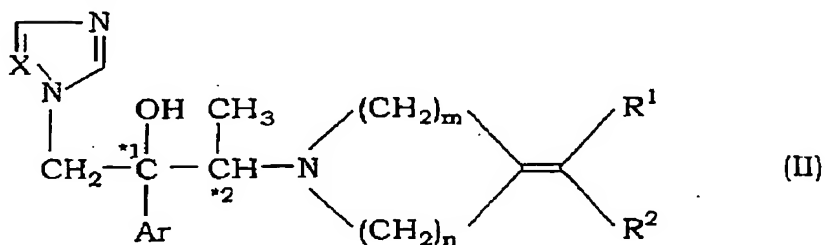
wherein, R¹ and R² are the same or different and are hydrogen atom, C₁₋₆ alkyl group, a non-substituted aryl group, an aryl group substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from a halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, nitro group and C₁₋₆ alkyl group, C₂₋₈ alkenyl group, C₂₋₆ alkynyl group, or C₇₋₁₂ aralkyl group,

m is 2 or 3,

n is 1 or 2,

or a salt thereof as an active ingredient, ~~to a subject having onychomycosis.~~

Claim 19 (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The method of Claim 18, in which the compound is the compound represented by formula (II):



wherein, Ar is a non-substituted phenyl group or a phenyl group substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from a halogen atom and trifluoromethyl group,

R¹ and R² are the same or different and are hydrogen atom, C₁₋₆ alkyl group, a non-substituted aryl group, an aryl group substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from a halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, nitro group and C₁₋₆ alkyl group, C₂₋₈ alkenyl group, C₂₋₆ alkynyl group, or C₇₋₁₂ aralkyl group,

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m is 2 or 3,

n is 1 or 2,

X is nitrogen atom or CH, and

*1 and *2 mean an asymmetric carbon atom.

Claim 20 (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The method of Claim 19, in which the compound represented by the formula (II) is (2R,3R)-2-(2, 4-difluorophenyl)-3-(4-methylen piperidine-1-yl)-1-(1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-yl) butane-2-ol.